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SUBJ: POSSIBLE BOLIVIAN OUTLET TO THE SEA

1. A PERUVIAN FONOFF OFFICIAL TOLD EMBOFF OCTOBER 28 THAT THE UNRESOLVED BOLIVIAN CORRIDOR ISSUE IS A FACTOR LIKELY TO INCREASE TENSIONS BETWEEN CHILE AND PERU. HE STATED THAT THE 15-MEMBER PERUVIAN COMMISSION CHARGED WITH PROVIDING RECOMMENDATIONS ON GOP APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF A BOLIVIAN CORRIDOR THROUGH FORMER PERUVIAN TERRITORY HAD JUST SUBMITTED ITS REPORT. THE VOTE, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, WAS 8 TO 7 AGAINST GOP ASSENT TO THE CORRIDOR. COMMISSION CHAIRMAN FORMER PRESIDENT BUSTAMANTE Y RIVERO WAS IN THE MINORITY. THE PERUVIAN MILITARY JUNTA WILL NOW HAVE TO DECIDE, BUT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL FELT THAT ITS ASSENT WOULD BE DIFFICULT IN THE FACE OF THE COMMISSION'S REPORT AND STRONG FEELINGS WITHIN THE MILITARY THAT PERU SHOULD NOT AGREE TO THE PROPOSED CORRIDOR.

2. A CHILEAN EMBOFF HAS ALSO TOLD US THAT, IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, THE PERUVIAN RESPONSE TO THE BOLIVIAN-CHILEAN INITIATIVE FOR A BOLIVIAN CORRIDOR TO THE SEA WILL BE DECIDED BY THE PERUVIAN MILITARY COMMANDERS, INCLUDING THOSE OF THE FIVE MILITARY ZONES. THE CHILEAN EMBOFF WAS PERSONALLY PESSIMISTIC ABOUT ANY POSITIVE RESPONSE.

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